

# Welcome to Concordia Football

Amid the scent of barbecue hamburgers and painted faces, Concordia Stingers Football Team enter a 1993 Ontario-Quebec inter-university football conference season confident that they will return to play-off action.

The O-QIFC is arguably the best conference in Canada and head coach Sheahan feels that the Stingers have benefited from last year. "we were extremely competitive in 1992 but our inexperience hurt us in key situations". Sheahan stated "Good teams use adversity as a learning experience and become great teams. We had a very good training camp and I like our chances if we stay healthy."

Sheahan has stressed conditioning and balance throughout his highly successful coaching career. He feels the Stingers have a good offenseve mix with the ability to move the ball in the air and on the ground.

Certainly the atmosphere of a Saturday afternoon football game has proven popular with a growing number of Stinger fans. The Homecomming game vs. Carleton on October 16th and the annual Shaughnessy Cup game against crosstown rival McGill Redmen on October 9th should be specially noted on your fall '93 agenda.

# The Shrine Bowl

The 7th Annual Shrine Bowl will once again be a meeting of cross-town rivals when the McGill Redmen take on the concordia Stingers Saturday, Septembe 18 at Molson Stadium.

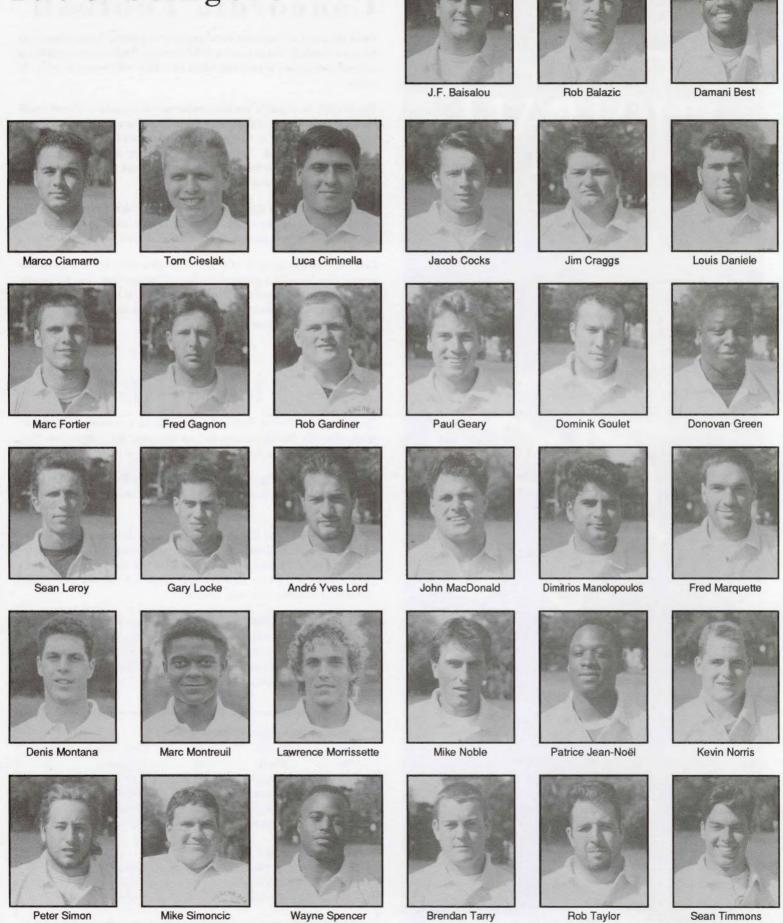
Concordia, which dropped the first three Shrine Bowl games, have won the last three games including last season's come-from-behind, last minute 25-24 victory.

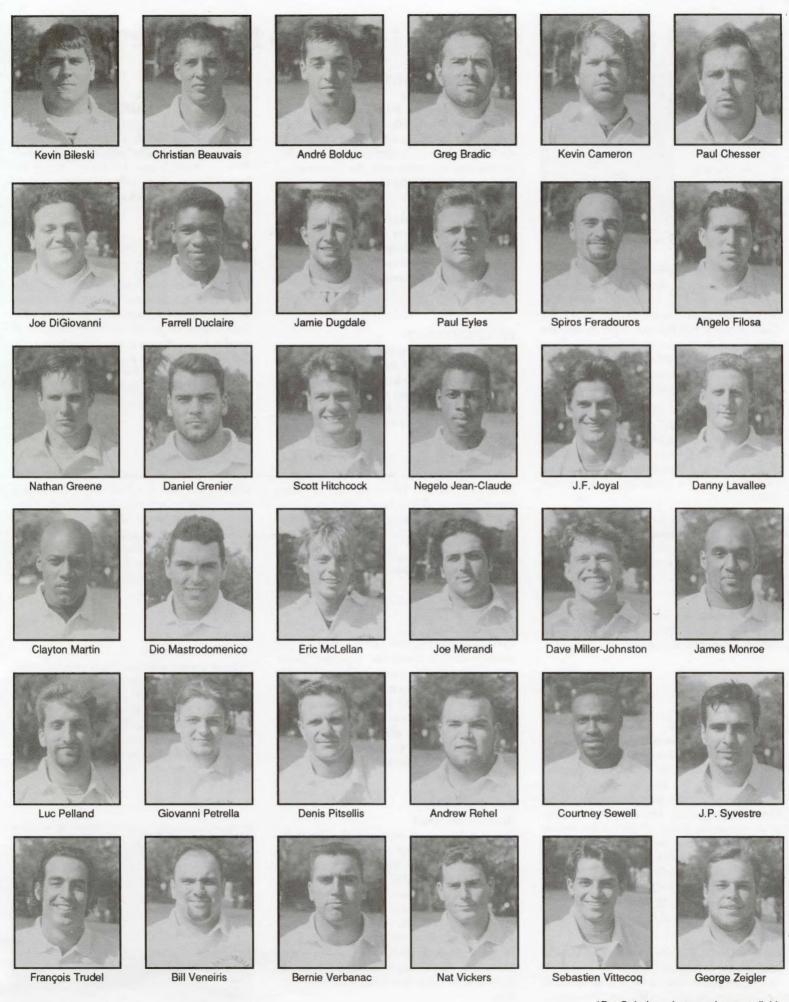
Last season's MVP for Concordia, quarterback Andy Peterkin, will not be back to direct the Concordia offense but promising third-year transfer Dennis Pitsellis will lead a balanced attack that will feature former O-QIFC Rookie-of-the-Year Jean-François Joyal and slotback Mike Noble, who will return after a two year absence.

On defense, defensive lineman and Peter Gorman Trophy nominee Giovanni Petrella and Academic All-Canadian linebacker Luc Pelland will anchor a crew that is returning 10 of 12 starters. Concordia's linebacking crew, with Pelland, Patrick Guindon and John Macdonald all returning should be one of the best in the country.

1987	McGill	31	Concordia	20	
1988	McGill	27	Concordia	7	
1989	Bishop's	15	Concordia	9	
1990	Concordia	27	McGill	15	
1991	Concordia	28	McGill	16	
1992	Concordia	25	McGill	24	
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1987	Mike Soles (McGill)	Ron Aboud (Concordia)			
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1989	Keith Kelly (Bishop's)	Stephane Leclerc (Concordia)			

# 1993 Stingers





\*Pat Guindon, photograph not available

# '93 Stingers Coaching Staff

# PAT SHEAHAN Head Coach

Pat Sheahan enters his fifth year as head coach of the Stingers, having directed Concordia into the O-QIFC playoffs in three of the four previous seasons. Coach Sheahan



was selected as the O-QIFC Coach of the Year in 1990 after guiding the Stingers to a 5-2 regular season record. The native of Brockville, Ontario, who spent five years as Associate Head Coach of the McGill Redmen, hopes to take the Stingers past the first round of the Ontario-Quebec Interuniversity Football Conference playoffs this season as the team continues to build towards national contention.

Pat's coaching career began in 1978 at Loyola High School. He coached Leo's Boys Bantam Football Club in 1979 before taking a two year coaching hiatus. Sheahan hooked up with the Montreal Junior Concordes in 1982 and helped guide the team to a Little Grey Cup berth in 1982.

Sheahan was signed by the Edmonton Eskimos in both 1980 and 1981. He completed a Diploma in Sports Administration from Concordia University in 1981 after graduation with a Bachelor of Science (Cum Laude) in 1978. Sheahan received his Bachelor of Education from McGill in 1990.

Pat is director of the Concordia Summer Sports Camp and resides in Kirkland with wife Lee and children Ryan, Erin and Devan.

### **GERRY MCGRATH**

# Offensive Coordinator

The appointment of Gerry McGrath as offensive coordinator of the Concordia Stingers last season was another step in the team's development under head coach Pat Sheahan. Gerry brings a wealth of coaching and playing experience to the Concordia programme. He first gained notoriety as an outstanding junior player for the Verdun Maple Leafs who later went on to play six years in the Canadian football League with the Montreal Alouettes \Concordes (1980-84) and the Saskatchewan Rough Riders (1985-86). He was selected to the Junior All-Candian team in 1979 and finished his pro career with a 42.8 punt average.

His coaching career began with the LaSalle Midget team and includes three years with the St.Leonard Junior team. Last year he served as head coach of the semi-pro Montreal Voyageurs.

# PETER CHRYSSOMALIS

### **Defensive Coordinator**

In the four years that Peter has served as Concordia's defensive coordinator he has turned the Singers into one of the finest defensive units in the CIAU. He came to Concordia in 1989 after an outstanding tenure with the Chateauguay Raiders where he captured two provincial titles in three years.

The native of Montreal played three seasons for the Concordia Stingers (1980-82). He was a defensive halfback with the 1982 Ontario-Quebec Interuniversity Football Conference championship team which came within one game of reaching Vanier Cup.

## PETER REGIMBALD

# Offensive Backs & Specialty Teams

The senior member of the Concordia coaching staff, Pete begins his lucky thirteenth season with the Stingers. One of the most respected football men in Quebec, Regimbald has successfully coached at Vanier College and Loyola College.

A former wide receiver with the Montreal Alouettes (1965), Regimbald played college football at St. Francis Xavier. His university coaching career began in 1970 at Loyola where he helped lead the Warriors to three league titles in the seventies.

The native of Montreal has been employed as Concordia's Student Liaison Director since 1975.

# SYLVAIN JETTÉ

# Receivers Coach

Sylvain is entering his third season as the receivers coach at Concordia. A former Stinger wide receiver, he previously coached at CEGEP Maisonneuve and Vieux Montréal as well as enjoying a three-year stint with the French national team. He is currently employed by Football Quebec as an administrator and was an assistant coach of the Quebec team that won the Canadian 4-19 Championship this past July.

# DAN MCKINNON

# **Quarterbacks Coach**

Dan is in his second year with the Concordia club and will be taking over a new portfolio as quarterbacks coach. Dan joined the Stinger staff after a distinguished career in civil football at a number of different levels. He began with the St. Bruno programme and spent four years as head coach of the St. Leonard Cougars. He is a former Quarterback with the NDG Maple Leafs Jr. Team and the South Shore Colts. His experience will be a great asset to the team as he brings more than 20 years of football knowledge with him.

# ART FARINHA

### **Defensive Back Coach**

Art joined the Concordia coaching staff two years ago after a successful four year tenure with the St-Hubert Rebels of the Quebec Junior League. He was credited with turning the Rebels into the number one defensive team in the league, and has dome a fine job with a veteran Stinger secondary which should be hard to gain yards against.

#### **GRANT ALLAN**

# **Defensive Line Coach**

Grant begins his fourth season on the Concordia staff following a long and successful career with the North Shore organization. He coached the North Shore Lions and the North Shore Mustangs to league championships before leading the North Shore Broncos to a provincial championship in 1985. Pat Sheahan feels his knowledge, experience and positive attitude will continue to be great assets to the team.

### **BRYAN VAJDA**

# Offensive Line Coach

Bryan is a former Concordia Stinger offensive lineman and part of a long line of outstanding linemen that the university has produced. A former All-Canadian at left guard in 1989, he played four years for Concordia from 1986-89. The brother of Paul Vajda, who is currentlyh with the Saskatchewan Roughriders, Bryan will work with the offensive line with coaches Carroll and Sheahan.

### BRIAN CARROLL

#### Offensive Line Coach

Brian is another first year coach with Concordia who will help to mold the offensie line into one of the best in the nation. He is a former NDG Maple Leaf from the mid-sixties and has coached for many years in the North Shore Football Organization. Brian was the offensive line coach for the Montreal Voyageurs in 1991. In Empire Football League play that year, the Vees managed a 9-1 record.

